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In response to the Office communication mailed on September 18, 2002, please consider the following remarks:

I. Remarks.

In this application, the Examiner entered a restriction requirement and constructively elected claims 1-55. On July 30, 2002, Applicant filed a divisional reissue application that included the restricted claims, claims 56-83, only. Applicants requested that the reissue application for 09/768,636 be suspended until the prosecution of the divisional reissue application is finished. On September 18, 2002, Applicants received notification of suspended status, suspending the application under 37 C.F.R. 1.103(a) for six months.

Applicants respectfully request that this suspension be continued. The divisional reissue application is still pending. Thus, under the procedure set forth in MPEP 1450, the original case should be suspended until the merits of the divisional reissue case are decided.

Because this suspension is required under MPEP 1450, Applicants believe that no fee is due. If any fee is due, Applicants hereby authorize that any required fee to maintain pendency of this case, except for the Issue Fee, be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-3878

II. CONCLUSION

If the Examiner has any questions, please contact the attorney at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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